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NOTICE.

DURING the absence of Mr C. H. GRACE on leave, Mr JAMES CRAIK has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY.

H. P. WHITE,
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Hongkong, April 1, 1908.

ORIENTAL HOTEL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 30TH APRIL, 1908.

DINNER:
Sliced Onions, Stewed Beetroots, Spanish Olives.

HORS D'OEUVRES:
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S O U P:
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Boiled and Parsley Sauce.

ENTREES:
4 Chicken Cutlets and Mashed Potatoes.
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7 Kabob.

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8 Roast Fore-quarter of Lamb and Mint Sauce.

9 Roast Turkey and Cranberry Sauce.

C O L D M E A T S:
10 York Ham.
11 Beef.

12 Liver Sausage.

S A L A D:
13 Potato.

VEGETABLES:
14 Boiled Potatoes.
15 Potato Croquettes.

16 Beans.
17 Boiled Cabbage.

EXTRAITS:
18 Stewed Fruit.
19 Hot Umblette.

20 Pine Apple.
21 Cream and Walnuts.

DESSERT:
22 Cheese and Crackers.
23 Fruit.

24 Tea.

By kind permission of Major Evans and Officers of the 18th Rajputs, the band of the regiment will play the following programme at the ORIENTAL HOTEL, 2, Queen's Road Central, during Dinner on THURSDAY, the 30th April, 1908.

P R O G R A M M E:
1. March, "On Command," "Ode Home."
2. Valse, "Claribel," "Crows."
3. Selection, "Veronique," "Messenger."
4. "Two Steps," "Zerk Zerk," "Capt. Thuban."
5. Valse, "Blossoms," "Dance."
6. Selection, "Mazurka," "Wallace."
7. "Avril Solo," "Pastoral Scene in Belgium."

The birds are singing in the wood, when the Church bell strikes 12. Shortly after the Village band begins practising and the Blacksmiths accompany on their anvils.

8. Waltz, "Midsummer Day," "Heysel."
9. Waltz, "Tondresse," "Walden."
10. Anthems, "America," "French," "German," "Portuguese," "Russian," "British."

God Save the King Emperor.
C. T. COKE, Bandmaster,
15th RAJPUTS.

Hongkong, April 29, 1908.

NOTICE.

IF PERCY BRENTNALL, one time resident at Plover Lodge, 5, Bonham Road, Hongkong, or his wife or child, will communicate with R. P. BRENTNALL, 23, Bellington Terrace, Newswells on Tyne, England, they will hear something to their advantage.

P. FORSTER NICHOLSON,
Hongkong, March 28, 1908.

NOTICE.

THE CHAMBER OF MINES LABOUR IMPORTATION AGENCY, LTD., having been placed in voluntary liquidation, the business, assets and liabilities of the aforementioned Agency have been taken over by the WITWATERSRAND NATIVE LABOUR ASSOCIATION, LTD. All accounts in future to be rendered in the name of the above mentioned Association.

H. W. KEMPSTER,
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Hongkong, April 28, 1908.

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The Undersigned having obtained a Deed of Separation from my wife AUGUSTA KILLEN. With draw the attention of the Public that I shall not (as already published) be responsible for any Debt hereafter incurred by her.

F. ALLEN, *Plaque Inspector.*
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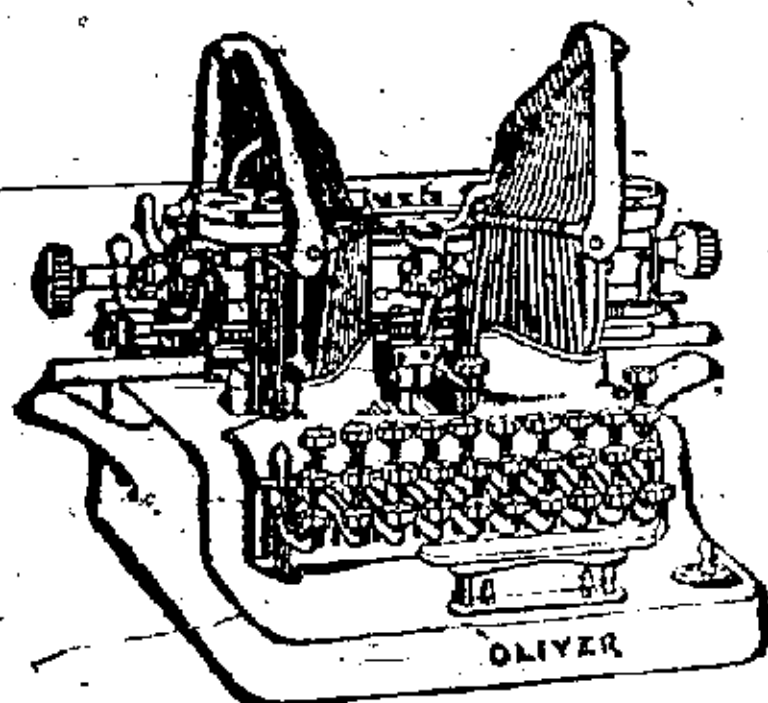
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Hongkong, April 26, 1906.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO.,

LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
NINETEENTH ORDINARY GEN-
ERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will
be held at the Company's Offices, St.
George's Building, on SATURDAY, the 2nd
MAY, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose
of presenting the Report of the Directors,
together with a statement of Accounts to
28th February, 1908, and electing
Directors and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED on the 18th April
to 2nd May, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 13, 1908.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,

LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders
of the National Bank of China, Limited, will
be held at the Bank premises, Queen's Road,
Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the
10th MAY, at NOON, for the purposes
following, namely:—
To receive and consider Statement of
Accounts and Balance Sheet to 31st
December, 1907, the Reports of the
Directors and Auditors thereon, to
elect Auditors and transact the other
ordinary business of the Company.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from 1st day of May to 16th
May, 1908, both days inclusive.
By Order,
G. C. MOXON,
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Hongkong, March 31, 1908.

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Hongkong, February 8, 1908.

ITEMS.

Seated at the pianoforte, a young lady
remarked to a bachelor visitor:
"You are a lover of music, are you not?"
To this the cruel cynic replied:
"Oh, yes; but you can go on playing all
the same."

It is a very exasperating thing to be
robbed, but it is more so to have the
newspapers announce that the burglar
looked you and your wife in the bedroom
and then ransacked the house, "but were
unable to find anything of value."

"My yacht is laid up in the Solent this
year," said the grand young gentleman at
the Hantsport boarding-house, "and I have
never started motoring. Didn't care for
it; couldn't be bothered."
Just then the landlady entered with the
letters, and handed him a postcard, which
read: "Please come back at once, as our
other sluggan is laid up."

Anxious to make himself affable, a young
man at a gathering in the suburbs started a
conversation with an old gentleman of
choleric appearance, who happens to be a
magistrate in a certain district in Surrey.
The old gentleman complained of the "bus
delays owing to the strike, and the young
man remarked: "You should try an
automobile." "I prefer to try those who
do," replied the magistrate testily.

Willie and Tommy are two youngsters
who are pugilistically inclined. The other
day the following conversation took place
between them:

"Aw," said Willie, tamingly: "you're
afraid t' fight—that's wot it is."
"Naw, I ain't," protested Tommy,
stoutly, "but if I fight my father'll find it
out and thrash me."

"How'll he find it out, eh?"
"He'll see the doctor goin' t' your
house."

It was in New York the other day, and
two strangers met. "Do you know, sir,"
said one, "I run nine of the largest motor-
cars in the State, and don't pay a real cent
in taxes on them?"

"Do you know who I am, sir?" replied
the other, with a touch of triumph in his
voice. "I am the Inspector of Taxes."
"And do you know who I am, sir?"
replied the other, nothing daunted.
"I'm the biggest liar in the whole of the
U.S.A."

"Mr. Gibbons," said the teacher of the
class in rhetoric, "point out the absurdity
in this figure of speech: 'At this time the
Emperor Frederick hatched out a scheme,'
etc."

"It seems to me all right," replied the
young man after some reflection.
"It does? Explain, if you please, how
he could have 'hatched' out a scheme."

"Well, he might have had his mind set
on it."

It happened in a Bloomsbury boarding-
house.
"Good-borning," said the boarder with
a bad cold.

"What?" cried the other boarder in
surprise, also in a bad cold, as they dis-
tended from their hurried coming.

Clenching his throat and blowing his nose
vigorously, the boarder with the bad cold
explained, somewhat wearily, that he had
merely attempted to pass the time of the
day.

Whereupon the other boarder apolo-
gized, saying:
"We thought you said 'good-borning'."

A charming young lady came to London
to visit an aunt, who, when the young lady
was leaving, in a cab for an evening party,
said:
"Now, mind, don't pay him more than
one shilling; it's his legal fare."

Arrived at her destination, the young
lady sprang out, handed cabby one shilling,
and landed up the steps of the house.
"Excuse me, miss," called cabby. "Kin
I ask you a question?"

"Yes, you may."
"Well, are you married?"

"No," she cried, indignantly, "I'm
not."

"Well, well! Somebody's agoin' to git
a treasure," replied the cabman; "for I
never saw a gal as could make a philling go
further or do more 'ard work nor you-
miss."

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will be opened in the Company's
Office at Yuen Ching Street, in the City
of Canton, at 3 o'clock p.m. on 8th May,
1908.

SUPERINTENDENT.

Shekwaikong,

Saturday, April 18, 1908.

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SATURDAY, May 30: - Noon - Traders will be received at the Office of Colonial Secretary.

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ABOVE THE LAW.

Observers are sometimes tempted to believe that Government officials resist innovations, we will not say from natural perversity, but from a sheer dislike of change and a blind acceptance of the policy of *laissez faire*. It is just seldom that a Government takes the initiative in reform; reforms are effected when the pressure of public opinion forces the Government to reluctantly take action. Where the people have the power to reward or to punish a Government for its deeds or misdeeds reforms come more rapidly, as the instinct of self-preservation overcomes the conservatism inherent to all Governments. But in communities, under autocratic rule, with which we class Crown Colonies, Government has no need to take into consideration the favour or disfavour of the people they rule. Responsibility to the people is the great and salutary check to Governments in communities which elect their own rulers. But in communities such as that of Hongkong the Government is responsible to Downing Street and it is immaterial to it in what light its actions are regarded by local residents. We must not be understood to be suggesting that this irresponsibility to the ruled causes any neglect of duty. On the contrary we believe that, generally speaking, the Government does its best in what it conceives to be the public interests. While we applaud its motives we find it frequently necessary to question its judgment. The conception of the Government as to what constitutes the public interest, and the conception of the public itself is often widely dissimilar. The reason for this, we take it, is that the Government unconsciously, in fact inevitably, looks at every question from an official viewpoint. This outlook is tempered, as we

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It is further reported that evidence was given to the effect that Mr. Rennie's partner must have known his troubles, although he refused to tell anyone of them and that he was asked why he did not tell our clients of them and replied that he had done so, but that it was no good. We presume that by "partners" are intended our clients, though actually they were not Mr. Rennie's partners, but directors of and large shareholders in the Milling Company. With regard to this part of the report, what we have written above is in point, but we should add, it was not until the 11th instant (three days before Mr. Rennie's death) that our clients had the slightest suspicion that all was not well in connection with the affairs of the Mill. On that date, at a Board Meeting of the Company, Mr. Rennie, in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association, intimated that he desired to have a meeting of the shareholders of the Company convened for the purpose of obtaining authority from them to charge the Company's property in favour of their Bankers and he then put before our clients, as directors, a statement, which is now in our hands, showing a loss, as estimated by him, of \$11,000 odd upon the milling and sale of wheat then in the Company's godowns, which statement Mr. Rennie then informed our clients he purposed placing before the Company's Bankers. This was absolutely the first intimation our clients received from Mr. Rennie that the affairs of the Company were not proceeding favourably, but, as the statement showed a loss of only one-fourth of the profits that Mr. Rennie had stated at the annual general meeting had been already made by the Company, our clients naturally did not view matters in too serious or too unfavourable a light, and, having the most complete confidence in Mr. Rennie, they accepted such statement as accurate in every respect, though it has since been ascertained that the Company's Bankers proved it to be otherwise. At the same time Mr. Rennie mentioned to our clients that there was a purchase of wheat which he had made for June shipment, which he had asked the Company's Bankers to finance, but which they were unwilling to do unless our clients personally guaranteed the transaction, which amounted to some \$500,000, the latter did not then refuse to do this, but took the matter into consideration. On the morning of the 14th instant, Mr. Rennie rang up Sir Paul Chater on the telephone, stating that he was in trouble and desired to see Sir Paul, who, in reply, arranged to see Mr. Rennie at his office, that morning and accordingly did so. Mr. Rennie then informed Sir Paul Chater that there was trouble with regard to the June shipment above mentioned, that he had been notified that the steamer in connection therewith had been chartered and that accordingly the necessary credits must be sent, and reiterated that, if our clients would guarantee same, it could be arranged through the Company's Bankers. Sir Paul Chater then suggested to Mr. Rennie that it would be best, in order to cut the then apparent loss on the shipment as much as possible, for Mr. Rennie to telegraph to cancel the contract and resell the shipment, which Mr. Rennie then concurred in doing, and, in Sir Paul's presence, wrote out a telegram for that purpose, and handed it to Mr. Chater to despatch.

It is also reported that on the day of Mr. Rennie's death Mr. Rennie was served with a writ for \$30,000, with regard to this, in February last, prior to the annual general meeting, and when the accounts had been audited and a skeleton statement in connection therewith got out, Mr. Rennie saw our clients therewith, and as to the disposition of the then estimated balance of some \$180,000, Mr. Rennie, appearing, Sir Paul Chater expressed the view that this balance should be appropriated by declaring a dividend to the shareholders, in view of the fact that three years had elapsed since the incorporation of the Company. Mr. Rennie was reluctant to accept this suggestion and stated that the Company needed the money in its business, and that their Bankers preferred such a course, whereupon Sir

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I am glad to say that everything is going smoothly at the mills, and a profit of \$161,262.70 in the first eleven months of our working proves that we have established the business on a sound basis, and I confidently believe that at our next meeting we will be in a position to propose a handsome distribution of profits. Such statements would certainly not convey to the ordinary mind that there was any cause for worry over, or anything substantially wrong with, the affairs of the Company, and our clients had in fact no reason whatever to suppose, or any intimation whatever from Mr. Rennie, that matters were running otherwise than most favourably in connection with the concern.

It is further reported that evidence was given to the effect that Mr. Rennie's partner must have known his troubles, although he refused to tell anyone of them and that he was asked why he did not tell our clients of them and replied that he had done so, but that it was no good. We presume that by "partners" are intended our clients, though actually they were not Mr. Rennie's partners, but directors of and large shareholders in the Milling Company. With regard to this part of the report, what we have written above is in point, but we should add, it was not until the 11th instant (three days before Mr. Rennie's death) that our clients had the slightest suspicion that all was not well in connection with the affairs of the Mill. On that date, at a Board Meeting of the Company, Mr. Rennie, in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association, intimated that he desired to have a meeting of the shareholders of the Company convened for the purpose of obtaining authority from them to charge the Company's property in favour of their Bankers and he then put before our clients, as directors, a statement, which is now in our hands, showing a loss, as estimated by him, of \$11,000 odd upon the milling and sale of wheat then in the Company's godowns, which statement Mr. Rennie then informed our clients he purposed placing before the Company's Bankers. This was absolutely the first intimation our clients received from Mr. Rennie that the affairs of the Company were not proceeding favourably, but, as the statement showed a loss of only one-fourth of the profits that Mr. Rennie had stated at the annual general meeting had been already made by the Company, our clients naturally did not view matters in too serious or too unfavourable a light, and, having the most complete confidence in Mr. Rennie, they accepted such statement as accurate in every respect, though it has since been ascertained that the Company's Bankers proved it to be otherwise. At the same time Mr. Rennie mentioned to our clients that there was a purchase of wheat which he had made for June shipment, which he had asked the Company's Bankers to finance, but which they were unwilling to do unless our clients personally guaranteed the transaction, which amounted to some \$500,000, the latter did not then refuse to do this, but took the matter into consideration. On the morning of the 14th instant, Mr. Rennie rang up Sir Paul Chater on the telephone, stating that he was in trouble and desired to see Sir Paul, who, in reply, arranged to see Mr. Rennie at his office, that morning and accordingly did so. Mr. Rennie then informed Sir Paul Chater that there was trouble with regard to the June shipment above mentioned, that he had been notified that the steamer in connection therewith had been chartered and that accordingly the necessary credits must be sent, and reiterated that, if our clients would guarantee same, it could be arranged through the Company's Bankers. Sir Paul Chater then suggested to Mr. Rennie that it would be best, in order to cut the then apparent loss on the shipment as much as possible, for Mr. Rennie to telegraph to cancel the contract and resell the shipment, which Mr. Rennie then concurred in doing, and, in Sir Paul's presence, wrote out a telegram for that purpose, and handed it to Mr. Chater to despatch.

It is also reported that on the day of Mr. Rennie's death Mr. Rennie was served with a writ for \$30,000, with regard to this, in February last, prior to the annual general meeting, and when the accounts had been audited and a skeleton statement in connection therewith got out, Mr. Rennie saw our clients therewith, and as to the disposition of the then estimated balance of some \$180,000, Mr. Rennie, appearing, Sir Paul Chater expressed the view that this balance should be appropriated by declaring a dividend to the shareholders, in view of the fact that three years had elapsed since the incorporation of the Company. Mr. Rennie was reluctant to accept this suggestion and stated that the Company needed the money in its business, and that their Bankers preferred such a course, whereupon Sir

Paul Chater said that, as Mr. Rennie had proposed to give no dividend to the shareholders, he ought, in accordance with the not unusual practice, to forego at least a portion of his commission on the Company's workings for the then past year (prior to which there had been no workings and consequently no commission earned) amounting to \$20,000, and Mr. Rennie agreed to half such commission, thus receiving the sum of \$10,000 in this connection. Mr. Rennie then informed our clients that he desired to obtain an advance to himself of a sum of \$30,000, which Mr. Mody promptly volunteered, and which, a few days later, he did in fact lend, receiving in return a promissory note therefor, which promissory note fell due on the 21st ultimo, but, having the fullest confidence in Mr. Rennie and his position, Mr. Mody did not then present the note for payment, but left it to Mr. Rennie to discharge as and when he saw fit. After Mr. Rennie's death our clients learnt for the first time that he had effected considerable dealings with his holdings in the Milling Company, on guaranteeing considerable claims on his estate and Mr. Mody saw us in connection with the above mentioned loan, informing us of the details, just referred to, and placing his interests in our hands. On our advice proceedings were at once instituted against the deceased's estate, with the view of ensuring to assure to Mr. Mody priority for his claim in respect of the loan referred to over the claims of other creditors of the deceased in respect of his said dealings. These proceedings were not instituted on the same day, but on the day following Mr. Rennie's death, and Mr. Rennie was not served with the writ of summons, nor was it ever in contemplation to so serve him, in fact service was effected by us on her then solicitors, two days after Mr. Rennie's death.

Finally, there is reported a suggestion to the effect that our clients have succeeded in obtaining possession of the mill: with regard to this, the true facts are that after Mr. Rennie's death the affairs of the Company were found to be involved and disastrous to our clients, as the only remaining directors in the Colony were advised and decided that, in the best interests of the shareholders, the only proper course was to apply to the Court for a winding-up order, and the appointment of a liquidator, which was accordingly done. This liquidator is now in possession of the property of the Company on its behalf, but it is more than probable that the realisation of such property will be insufficient to pay the Company's creditors and consequently leave nothing for the shareholders, of whom our clients hold two-thirds of the whole, and accordingly are by far the greatest losers from the confidence placed in Mr. Rennie and the state in which his death left the affairs of the Company. Thanking you in anticipation of the insertion of this, we are, Yours, etc.,

DEACON, LOCKER, and DEACON.
-Hongkong, April 29.

TO IMPROVE MACAO.

THE BRAYBROOK
DISASTER.ROYAL COMMISSION
APPOINTED.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, April 29.

The Government of the State of Victoria, Australia, has appointed a Royal Commission to investigate the circumstances surrounding the recent disaster on the railway at Braybrook Junction, near Melbourne.

The total number of casualties resulting from the collision of the trains is now given as 368.

MANCHURIA.

FURTHER APPROPRIATION
FOR DEVELOPMENT.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

Peking, April 29.

A further sum of Tels 2,000,000 has been appropriated by the Chinese Government Bank for the development of Manchuria.

MINISTERS FOR THE
NAVY.YUAN SHIH KAI AND CHANG
CHIH TUNG TO BE APPOINTED.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

Peking, April 29.

Yuan Shih Kai, Chang Chih Tung and Lu Chuan Lin are likely to be appointed to the Naval Ministry in order to bring about an immediate re-organization of the Naval scheme.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

THE U. S. NAVAL BUDGET.

The President Again Defeated.

Washington, April 28.

The Washington Senate has reconsidered the Naval Appropriation Bill, and amended it to provide for battle-ships, in accordance with President Roosevelt's desire. The measure was again defeated by 50/23.

STRONG MESSAGE TO
CONGRESS.

Castigation of Millionaires.

London, April 28.

President Roosevelt has sent another Message to Congress, in which he re-urges anti-trust legislation, and condemns the millionaire as the least enviable of citizens, a man with a face grown hard and body soft; whose nominal pleasures are tasteless, extravagant luxury; whose real delight is accumulation, and the use of his power in the most selfish form; and whose son is a fool and daughter a foreign Princess.

ANOTHER SHIPPING
DISASTER.

Loss of a British Destroyer.

London, April 28.

During night manoeuvres off Harwich, the destroyer *Gala* was rammed and cut in two by the scout *Attentive*. Lieut Fletcher perished; the crew was rescued.

The *Attentive*, temporarily uncontrolled, then struck the *Ribble*, it is stated, as the latter was attempting to cross her bows.

The scout *Attentive* was laid down at Elswick on the 8th January, 1904. Her length is 374 feet with a beam of 38 feet 3 inches. She has a draught of 13 feet 3 inches and a total displacement of 2,850 tons. The engines were built by Messrs Hawthorn, Leslie and Co. The boilers are of one-fifth cylinder type with a four-fifth water tube by Messrs Yarrow of Poplar. The estimated horse power is 16,000 and on an eight hours trial she gave a speed of twenty-five knots per hour. Her armaments are ten twelve pounder quick firing, of which two are on the forecastle, and two on the poop with eight three pounders. She has two submerged torpedo tubes. The *Destroyer Gala* was built in 1904 by Messrs Yarrow, of Poplar. Her total length is 325 feet 5 inches, and a total displacement of 550 tons. The estimated horse power is 7,500 giving an extreme speed of 25.5 knots per hour, and she carries one twelve pounder; five six pounders, all quick firing. The *Destroyer Ribble* is of similar dimensions with the exception of thirty tons less displacement, and was also built by Messrs Yarrow. — En. C.M.

ANOTHER NAVAL
DISASTER.BATTLESHIP'S BOILER
EXPLODES.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, April 29.

A boiler explosion has occurred on the battleship *Britannia*.

The *Britannia* was proceeding from Queen's Ferry (Queensdown?) towards Portsmouth when the accident occurred.

Four members of the ship's complement are reported to have been seriously injured.

THE BOYCOTT.

THE FEELING AT AMOY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Amoy, April 30.

The boycott here is purely nominal, an attempt being made to satisfy the Cantonese. Everything is quiet.

The ill feeling between China and Japan has now extended to the Chinese in Java. They no longer take any interest in Japanese men-of-war calling there. The other day, the Japanese training squadron, which recently touched at Singapore, called at Batavia. The Chinese there took no notice of them whatever. We hope the Japanese did not feel hurt, remarks a Singapore contemporary.

ARMS AND MUNITIONS.

CAPTURED IN PEKING.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

Peking, April 29.

A large quantity of arms and munitions, including a number of boxes containing dynamite, have been captured here. No arrests are reported to have been made.

LAUNCHES IN COLLISION.

An inquiry was held this morning at the Harbour Office into the circumstances respecting the collision between the two licensed steam launches, *Hoi Kong* and *Hoi Hong*, which occurred in the Harbour on April 28.

The master of the *Hoi Kong* gave evidence that he met the *Hoi Hong* which was going in the opposite direction and as she was right ahead he altered his course at the same time giving a long blast on the whistle. The other launch then hit his launch in the starboard bow. The Magistrate found that the collision was due entirely to the master of the *Hoi Hong* not being at his place of duty, and his certificate was cancelled.

CORRESPONDENCE.

AN ACT OF HUMANITY.

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.)

Sir—Under the above heading there appeared in your valuable issue of Monday evening last a short report on the work done by the Pong Pin Shu, Chinese hospital at Canton, an institution depending entirely on public subscription and conducted in a most able and far-reaching manner.

It would seem by this report that our neighbours are well ahead in their appreciation of needs and requirements in the direction of practical charity, just as much as they provide for almost any emergency in advance. This report leads one to ask how the inmates fare in our local Chinese hospitals, surrounded as the largest of them are by such a labyrinth of small factotums all over crowded, and in not a few instances by a class whose notorious cruelty with its bacchanalian orgies and shameless orgies, turns night into day.

—This it ever occurred to the authorities who administer these hospitals that in every case of sickness especially where fever, subsides, to secure perfect rest and sleep absolute quietness is very necessary. In the neighbourhood of the Tung Wah hospital there is a big theatre. I wonder if the music (?) at the performances is at all disturbing to the patients? With fever temperature at 104.5 on a hot night, all the windows open, what must be the effect of a loud, clatter of brass gongs and cymbals on the shattered nerves of such patients?

Some eighteen months ago an effort was made with considerable success to improve the general tone of the Tai Ping Shan district, resulting in untold benefit to the respectable inhabitants. Now somehow or other, things seem to be drifting back into their former state, and peace and quietness which has proved such a great boon is to be replaced by the former "pandemonium" condition again. Effects have causes—and remedies. A more strict inspection and detailed report of this particular locality is certainly necessary.—Yours, etc.,

Hongkong, April 28. SPECTATOR.

DON'T NEGLECT A COLD.

PERHAPS you believe you will be able to throw off every cold you contract. You may have done so many times before, and yet the very next cold may develop into pneumonia. You cannot always tell the condition of your system, and it is better to take precaution than to risk this dangerous disease. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will promptly cure your cold and leave your system in a healthy condition. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard presided at the meeting of the Legislative Council which was held this afternoon. There were also present:

His Excellency Colonel (Earl) (Commanding the Forces in South China).
Hon. Mr. F. H. MAY (Colonial Secretary).
Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer).
Hon. Mr. W. SPATHAN (Director of Public Works).
Hon. Mr. W. REES DAVIES (Attorney General).

Hon. Mr. H. A. IREY.
Hon. Mr. CAPT. BART TAYLOR.
Hon. Mr. D. H. RAY.
Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK.
Hon. Mr. E. OSBORNE.
Hon. Mr. W. W. YUK.
Hon. Mr. H. K. SWICK.
Hon. Mr. MURRAY STEWART.
Mr. C. Clement (Clerk of Council).

THE BUILDING ORDINANCE.

The much-discussed Public Health and Building Amendment Ordinance came on for the second reading.

The Director of Public Works, in moving the second reading, said the Bill had been extensively criticised by architects on behalf of the European community, and many of their amendments had been accepted by His Excellency. One of the principal features of the Bill was the concentration of all matters regarding buildings in the Building Authority. It was proposed to withdraw the definition of external air, because it would affect badly those who desired to erect a building of moderate height and had opposite buildings of much greater height. The proportion of floor and cubic feet per head was reduced. A new section 101A had been introduced to apply to existing buildings, when they were being altered, the provisions dealing with thickness of walls, as it was obviously unfair to force a new building to conform with well upon new erections and to allow portions of other buildings to be reconstructed with a less thickness of wall.

A scheme for improving existing blocks of buildings was provided, which would result in considerable improvement at a moderate cost. In section 177—which had long been a bone of contention—the Government was not prepared to delete the words "by the owner." It was undoubtedly the intention of the original Ordinance that the space should be provided by the owner. Lanes would not in section 180 be taken as part of open spaces. Section 244A delegated to the Building Authority the power to make regulations with regard to certain sections which was now vested in the Board or the Government, and another new section—267A dealt with the construction of a simpler class of houses more particularly referring to the cutting of sections.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded the second reading.

The Hon. Mr. Osborne traced the history of the Colony from the earliest times, and said that it was not until 1842 that the colony was awakened to the danger and to its duty. The Colony then attempted to rectify at once the errors of years, and the outcome of this state of affairs was the first Building Ordinance, which had been described as the "Vandalia" of the colony. It was then that the members of the Sanitary Board, Mr. Osborne said it would have been wonderful if such an organisation as the Sanitary Board had been brought into being without fault. He then spoke of the Sanitary Board, and said that it was a body of men who were to be trusted. He then spoke of the Sanitary Board, and said that it was a body of men who were to be trusted.

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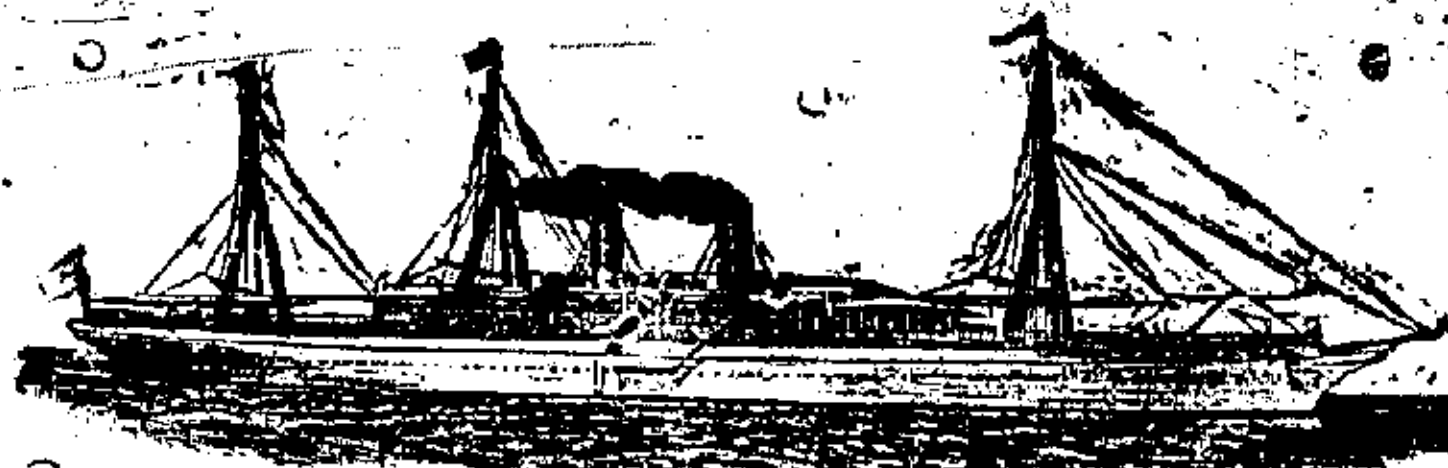
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LENNOX	7700 Tons, WEDNESDAY, July 15, 1903.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1903.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.....	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 6126	WEDNESDAY, 13th May, at Daylight.
	HITACHI MARU, Capt. F. E. Cope, Tons 6781	WEDNESDAY, 27th May, Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. AND SEATTLE, via Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....	* TANGO MARU, Tons 7463 Capt. R. Swain.	TUESDAY, 12th May, at 4 p.m.
	* AKI MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6444	TUESDAY, 26th May, at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY AND WELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNS- VILLE AND BRISBANE.....	KUMANO MARU, Capt. N. Matheson, Tons 5076	FRIDAY, 15th May, at Noon.
	YAWATA MARU, Capt. K. Hamada, Tons 3817	FRIDAY, 12th June, at Noon.
SHANGHAI & KOBE.....	* MOYOI MARU, Capt. J. Harada, Tons 3773	MONDAY, 4th May, at Noon.
KOBE.....	HAKATA MARU, Capt. T. Mura, Tons 6181	SATURDAY, 9th May, at Daylight.
OMRAY, via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.....	* WAKAMIYA MARU, Capt. T. Yamawaki, Tons 4723	SUNDAY, 10th May.

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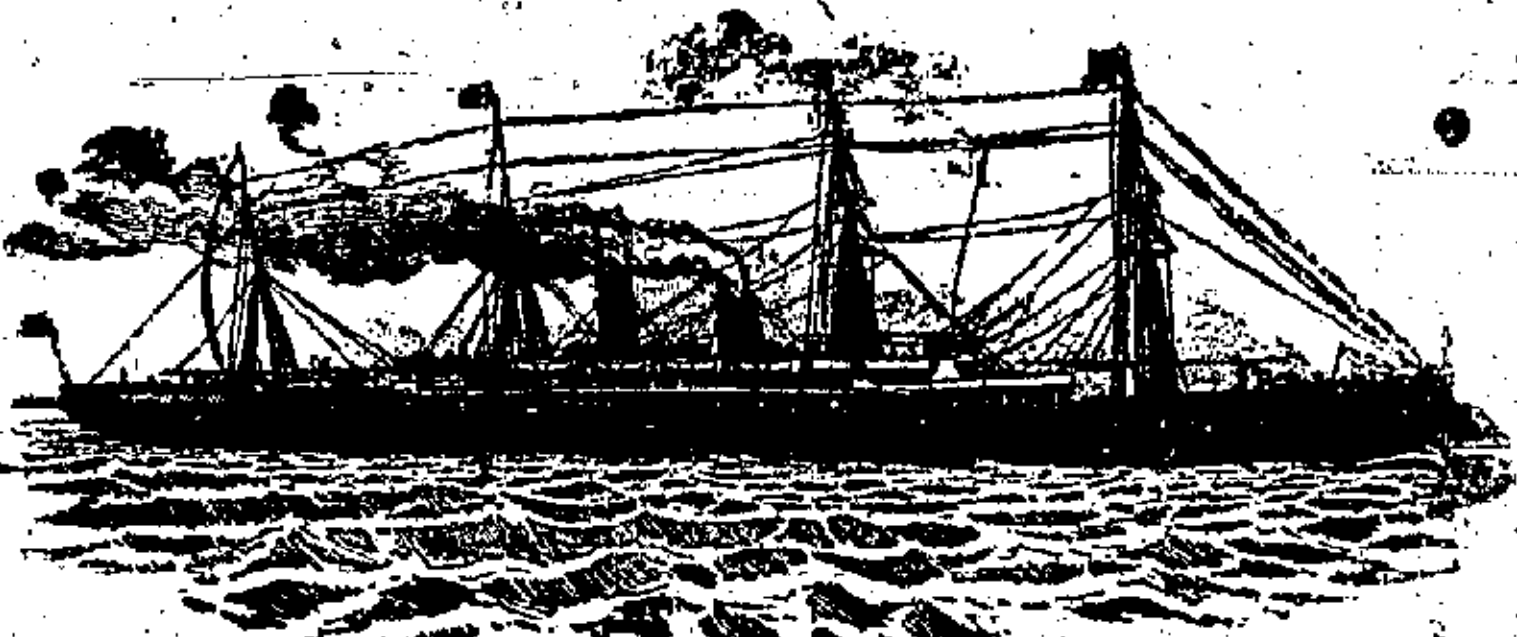
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STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1903.
* MANOHURI	27,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 2nd May, at Daylight.
* NIPPON MARU	11,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 9th May, at Noon.
ASIA	2,500 Tons, SATURDAY, 18th May, at Noon.
* MONROVIA	27,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
* HONGKONG MARU	11,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
* KOREA	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
* AMERICA MARU	11,000 Tons, FRIDAY, 28th June, at Noon.
* SIBERIA	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 4th July, at Noon.
CHINA	10,900 Tons, SATURDAY, 11th July, at Noon.

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FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, BOHAIW & HAIKONG	CHUNGKING	May 2, at 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	CHUNGKING	May 3, at 9 a.m.
MANILA	CHUNGKING	May 5, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DARWIN	CHUNGKING	May 11, at 4 p.m.
THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	CHUNGKING	May 12, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAKING	May 12, at 4 p.m.
KOBÉ	TAKING	May 23, at 4 p.m.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MOI	HONGKONG	FRIDAY, May 1, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	YUENSAH	FRIDAY, May 1, at 4 P.M.
* SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ & MOI	KUTSANG	SATURDAY, May 2, Daylight.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	NAMSANG	SATURDAY, May 2, at 3 P.M.
* TIENSIN, via SWATOW	CHONG SHING	SATURDAY, May 2, at Noon.
* SHANGHAI	CHOYSAH	SATURDAY, May 2, at Noon.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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MARSEILLES, via PORTS...	AUSTRALIEN	VERNON	May 12, at 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA	TOKIN	CHARDONNEL	May 25, afternoon.
MARSEILLES, via PORTS...	YARRA	SELLIER	May 26, at 1 p.m.

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